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From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn
Sent: Mon 9/28/2015 10:55:39 PM
Subject: FW: Restrictions on Southern Ute Land

None of the closed ditches were on Tribal lands, all were privately held.

I've asked in a follow-up email whether any restrictions on the Animas remained after the sheriff lifted his restriction and will pass that along ASAP.

I also found this relative to San Juan County, NM:

August 15, 2015:

San Juan County, NM Office of Emergency Management

http://www.sjcounty.net/images/stories/river_released_8.15.15.pdf

(Aztec, NM) – San Juan County Executive Officer, Dr. Kim Carpenter sent a signed declaration lifting the ban on use of the Animas River. “I am very pleased to sign this declaration, having full support from the Governor’s Long-Term Impact Review Team, the U.S. Environmental Agency, and Local Officials”. The ban will be officially lifted at 8:00pm tonight.

City of Farmington, NM (amplification of San Juan County release):

<https://www.facebook.com/cityoffarmingtonnm/posts/879791902119523:0>

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From: Gurule, Kathi [mailto:kgurule@southernute-nsn.gov]

Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 4:50 PM

To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn

Cc: tojohns@southernute-nsn.gov; Gurule, Kathi

Subject: Restrictions on Southern Ute Land

Ms. Jenkins,

I am the IC for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for the Gold King Mine Incident. There are no current restrictions in place for accessing the Animas River and none of the ditches within the reservation of the effect area are the Tribes, they are all privately held.

Sincerely,

Kathi Gurule

Risk and Emergency Manager

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From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn [<mailto:Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov>]

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To: Johnson, Tom <tojohns@southernute-nsn.gov>

Subject: Restrictions on Southern Ute and UMU

Tom:

I received a question regarding river and irrigation ditch closures as a result of the GKM release. If you have info on any restrictions on Southern Ute and/or Ute Mountain Ute lands – and the dates those restrictions were listed – can you please send to me ASAP?

Thanks,

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